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War

Survey of N. F. District

1919
4 Sept

Last previous Paper.
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Cannot bear any part of cost. Would supply men for work if required. Cannot criticize estimate made by S. CAP.

W. Bottomley

(1) I have had this concept taken out of Cree's file & registered, as it is not really Cree's concept.

(2) I think we can safely turn down the proposals in 37162/19 because -

- (1) W.O. will not buy.
- (2) S.A. cannot buy.
- (3) The survey might give rise to very undesirable political questions & military incidents.

? act. 37162/19 - enclose copy of C.O. letter in reply & W.O. reply - & report that proposals cannot be entertained at present. Further above the same.

Part 4

Next subsequent Paper.
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2. ask W.O. letter & ref them
of decision.

ref 7.0. of decision

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has N.F.D. business has been
wound down on this paper

Jan 24/34, 10/1/18

and 22/8/18 and

C. O.
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Downing Street,

11th July 1919.

5 E.A.
Sir,

I am directed by Viscount Milner to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th of June, No. 10812/10 (M.S.I. Co.) from which he observes that Major D. Cree, M.C., Royal Engineers does not desire to return to the East Africa Protectorate for further survey employment under that Government.

A.P. 26 Adl.
2. Since the date of the letter from this Department of the 12th of June, Lord Milner has received from the Government a despatch, of which a copy is enclosed. It will be observed that the Governor's desire to obtain the services of Major Cree arose originally out of the proposal for a topographical survey of the Northern Frontier District, and Lord Milner will be glad to be furnished with the observations of the Army Council on the desirability of the survey and its cost.

3. A copy of this letter and its enclosure is being sent to the Foreign Office.

I am etc.

(Sgd) H. J. READ.

SECRETARY

WAR OFFICE.

Any further communication on this
subject should be addressed to—

Secretary,
War Office,
London, S.W.

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War Office,
London, S.W.

4th. September, 1919.

My Lord,

I am commanded by the Army Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter 5725 E.A. of the 11th. July 1919, and to say that while the Council is in agreement as to the value of the survey therein proposed and as to the method of carrying it out, it cannot see its way under present conditions to bearing any part of the cost.

I am to add that in the event of its being decided to carry out the survey the War Office would endeavour to place at the disposal of the Colonial Office such officers and men as were required.

I am also to say that the cost of the survey depends so much on local conditions that it is not possible effectively to criticise the estimate given by the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

N. H. Little

Her Secretary of State
for the Colonies,
COLONIAL OFFICE.